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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Briefing of the House Foreign Affairs Committee

1. This memorandum is for action on the part of the Director of Central Intelligence. Such requested action is contained in paragraph 3.

2. Mr. Boyd Crawford, Staff Administrator for the House Foreign Affairs Committee, called to advise that the Committee will meet early in December and will be chaired by Representative Thomas E. Morgan of Pennsylvania, the ranking Democrat, in the absence of Representative Thomas S. Gordon who is recuperating from an illness. The Committee requested that you conduct a briefing in Executive Session on 4 December 1957. It was also indicated that the Secretary of State and Secretary of Defense were being called on the same day.

3. You will recall that you briefed this Committee on 26 November 1956. I did not acquiesce in this request but informed Mr. Crawford that I would contact him later. He offered to supply an appropriate letter requesting this briefing if it were deemed necessary. In view of the past briefing, I assume you will wish to comply with the request. If so, I would see no necessity of requesting that a written invitation be extended. If you feel it inappropriate to comply with the request, I would recommend that we advise the Committee well before the scheduled date.

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